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TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.	TELEGRAMS.
THE REVOLUTION.	THE REVOLUTION.	HOME RULE.	HOME POLITICS.	ITALY'S WAR.	GERMAN ELECTIONS.	ARGENTINE STRIKE.
TURNING THE SCREW.	ABDICATION NOT DECIDED.	A GRAVE MISSION.	THE LABOUR VIEW.	FRANCE'S DEMAND.	SOCIALIST CLAIM.	GOVERNMENT DECREE.
[Service to the "Telegraph."] Shanghai, Jan. 25, 9.25 a.m. The China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company has received a demand from Nanking that it should pay Tls. 10,000,000, otherwise its fleet of steamers will be seized by the revolutionaries. A meeting of the shareholders has been called.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Shanghai, Jan. 24. No decision has yet been arrived at regarding the abdication of the Emperor and it is predicted that there will be some extraordinary changes in the near future. EAGER TO FIGHT. The Manchu troops have submitted a memorial to Prince Ching advocating the immediate resumption of hostilities. The nobility have expressed a similar wish.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 3.55 p.m. The anti-Home Rule campaign is proceeding in Lancashire and Cheshire, Sir Edward Carson, Mr. Walter Long, Mr. F. E. Smith and Lord De Broke being the chief speakers. Sir Edward Carson, speaking at Manchester, announced that he was going straight to Belfast, but with no light heart, for it would be on a grave mission for his fellow countrymen.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 5 p.m. Mr. Ben Turner, who presided at the Labour Conference, said that their business was to become the ruling party in the State. They hoped, he remarked, with reference to the Osborne judgment, to arrange with the Nationalists that Home Rule for Ireland and Free Trade for the Nationalists would be passed next session. MORE LABOUR MEMBERS. They wanted votes for all women as well as men. The cry for a legal eight hours day needed revival, and they must make the Insurance Act quit the Labourists. With this end in view they must send more men to fill the labour benches in Parliament.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 2.30 p.m. Paris reports that M. Le Grand, the French Charge d'Affaires in Rome, has sent a demand for the release of the steamer Manoubra to Marquessa Di San Guilianno, the Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs. San Guilianno has delayed his reply until to-day, and confers in the meantime with the Premier.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 4.5 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that altogether the Right has lost 35 seats to the Left. The Centre and Conservative bloc majority has been destroyed, and is now dependent on Polish and Alsatian allies. The result, however, will not affect the question of defence or the foreign policy of the Government. It is stated that the Socialists claim one of the two vice-Presidencies in the Reichstag.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 12.5 p.m. The Buenos Aires correspondent of Reuter states that the Government, in a decree, gives the railways four days in which to restore the normal goods service.—Reuter.
YUAN SHIH-KAI.	YUAN IN DANGER.	TAKING IT SERIOUSLY.	HOME TAXATION.	ANOTHER CASE.	REVOLUTION AND TRADE.	EDUCATION IN CHINA.
Telegrams from Peking state that H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has retired.	H.E. Yuan Shih-kai is now being protected by several thousand troops as his life is commonly reported to be in danger.	The Right Hon. H. Hobhouse, speaking at Bristol, declared that in view of the language used by the Conservative leaders in the Lancashire campaign the Government were bound to regard the threats of violence and of outbreaks seriously.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 5 p.m. At a meeting of the Union of London and Smiths Bank, Ltd., the Governor, Sir Felix Schuster, dwelt on the depreciation of Government securities and insisted on the re-establishment of the Sinking Fund on a permanent basis.	A message from Paris states that the Italians have stopped the Austrian liner Bregenz.—Reuter.	The following is from the "N. C. Daily News" of Jan. 19:—The chances of a peaceful settlement of the political situation are exerting a beneficial influence on the trade, although the extent of that influence is narrowed by the several uncertain factors which may make their force felt at any moment. Consequently there has been more than the usual movement of cargo, and during the past week the deliveries have been more satisfactory. But new business done is scanty and trade has yet to be really relieved. Recently there has been a slight check to the improvement in the monetary world. The exigencies of the political situation demand now, more than ever, that a considerable portion of the moneys received from the interior both for cargo and safe-keeping should go into the treasury of the Republican party. Consequently the Chinese dealers, from the point of view of the man of business, hesitate to trade and the influx of funds has been checked. Moreover, a good portion of the funds, which are badly needed for trade, has already gone toward the expenses of the military government and the Republican expeditions to the North.	Sweeping Changes Proposed. The Nanking correspondent of the "China Press" writes under date Jan. 20:—Tsai Yuan-bai, head of the Educational Department of the Republican government, has duly organized his department, a seal has been given to him and he has outlined his plans for the educational system of the Empire. The condensed translation of the telegram is as follows:—The necessary systematization of education in China calls for the issuing of the reform plan from one central government. If all the provincial governments are allowed to frame their own regulations with regards to education, it will undoubtedly result in great confusion, and this condition of affairs is certainly objectionable. Consequently this Department issues the following regulations for temporary use to be followed later by a systematic plan:— 1. All educational institutions are to be called Yu-yao, and their principals are to be known as Yao-chan. All primary schools are required to be opened on the fifth of the 3rd month. The higher institutions are to be opened if the locality is able to maintain them financially. 2. Until the definite announcement of a systematic plan later, the school year is to be divided into two terms. The first term is to begin on the 5th of the 3rd month and to end with the beginning of the summer vacation. The second is to begin with the close of the vacation and to end with the 2nd month of the next year. 3. The co-educational system is permitted in primary schools. 4. Schools specially established for girls are to be regulated according to the old rules. 5. All text-books must advocate republicanism. Text-books published by the Board of Education of the Manchu government are not allowed to be used. 6. All text-books published by the people must be so altered as to avoid anything written in honour of the Manchu government, or anything about the governmental systems of the Manchus. 7. The students in the primary schools are no longer required to study classics. 8. Teaching of manual training is to be emphasized. 9. Military drill is to be emphasized in the higher institutions. 10. The study of abacus-counting is to be required for the students of the 3rd year in the primary schools. 11. In the middle schools the students are to secure some general knowledge. No special courses of literature and science are to be formed. 12. The courses in the middle schools and the elementary normal schools are to extend over a period of four years. An exception is made with regard to those students in such institutions who have studied for more than one year. 13. No official encouragement will be granted to the graduates of the various schools to under the old regime. All graduates are to be known simply as Pih Nih Sen.
SUN DISTRUSTS YUAN.	ANOTHER SECESSION.	ULSTER TO FIGHT.	FINANCIER'S VIEW.	TOO SUCCESSFUL OFFICER.	TOO SUCCESSFUL OFFICER.	
Durban, Jan. 24, 2 p.m. The situation in China is complicated by Sun Yat-sen's open distrust of Yuan Shih-kai. He believes that Yuan is too greatly influenced by the Dowager-Queen and the younger Macha princes, who now seem to favour the immediate resumption of hostilities in preference to abdication. Yuan Shih-kai is surrounded by enemies and keeps a large body guard.—Reuter.	Independence has been declared in Heilungkiang.—"Shat Po." A GUNPOWDER PLOT. It was recently discovered that persons in Tongchow, Chihli, had conspired to blow up the Imperial Arsenal at Paotingfu. Six of the conspirators were caught and shot by the Manchu troops.	Durban, Jan. 24, 4.20 a.m. The Liberal papers call on Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Austen Chamberlain either to denounce the policy of violence or to accept responsibility. Ulster Liberals, in a manifesto, deny that Mr. Churchill's meeting is a Nationalist one. It is wholly Liberal, and almost exclusively Protestant. They are determined on holding the meeting, despite all forces of lawlessness and disorder. Should rioting ensue, the responsibility will rest solely with the Unionist Councils. Meanwhile, the Unionists are elated with the manoeuvre to secure the hall. They point out that the spacious rooms, the kitchens and the organ hall will make the position of an investing force, not too uncomfortable. An audience of picked men are pledged to hold the hall against all comers, and to barricade the entrances: Colonel Wallace, Grand Master of the Orangemen, says they will stick at nothing to demonstrate that Ulster will fight and die for their liberties.—Reuter.	DESTROYING CAPITAL. He emphasised the fact that now burdens of taxation were weighing down the investment market and affirmed that the Death Duties were economically unsound and destructive of capital.—Reuter.	PECULIAR INCIDENT OF THE GERMAN MANOEUVRES. A case which has just been heard before the Higher Military Court at Breslau brings to light a peculiar and somewhat humorous incident of the recent German army manoeuvres. The prosecution brought an action against Lieutenant von Heydebreck, of the Oels rifle regiment, accusing him of misuse of authority and of causing grievous bodily injury and material damage. The facts as they were stated before the court were as follow:— Lieutenant von Heydebreck's regiment co-operated in the manoeuvres with the Bernstadt regiment of dragoons. One night the lieutenant was instructed by his superior officers to take a company of men and attempt a surprise attack upon a party of dragoons who were bivouacked several miles away. The lieutenant carried out his orders with startling success. "Unhindered by sentry or outpost, his company approached the sleeping camp of dragoons and opened fire with blank cartridges as a cloud of darkness. The effect was a stampede. Horses broke loose from their tethering posts and dashed madly through the darkness, falling over tent ropes and breaking the poles, by which several men were injured. The dragoons themselves, awakened from sleep by the rattle of rifle fire to find their canopies falling about them, and with their heads full of the sensational war rumours current at the time, were immediately convinced that the enemy was upon them in force. They lost their nerve utterly, and for a considerable time the wildest confusion prevailed, in which more men and animals were seriously injured.		
AN AMAZING DEMAND.	GENERAL CHANG'S CHALLENGE.		AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.			
Durban, Jan. 24, 12.5 p.m. Reuter's Shanghai correspondent wires that the Republic's are in need of funds in order to pay the army. They demand that the China Merchants' Navigation Company pay them ten million taels; otherwise their ships will be commandeered and sold. The directors have asked for time in which to consult the shareholders.—Reuter.	General Chang Fui has charged H.E. Yuan Shih-kai with disloyalty to the Manchu Government, and says that should the Throne follow Yuan's advice and abdicate, he, the General, will be prepared to fight him to the death.—"Sheung Po."		MEAD'S HARD LUCK. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 9.55 a.m. The match between the M.C.C. and Tasmania was resumed in glorious weather, on a good wicket and before a large crowd. M.C.C. totalled 332, Mead contributing 98 by excellent cricket. Tasmania lost one wicket for 37 runs on opening their second venture.—(Reuter.)			
YUAN'S SUCCESSOR.	THAMES IRONWORKERS.		TRIANGULAR CRICKET.			
Tokyo, Jan. 25. A message from Peking states that Oho Erh-sun has been asked by the Peking Government to form a new Cabinet. He has not replied to the request.—Independent News Agency.	A ballot of the Thames ironworkers shows that ninety-five per cent. of the men are against a fifty-three hours week, which is the Government's condition in awarding a contract for two warships.—Reuter.		A HITCH. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 4.5 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne states that Messrs. Trumper, Armstrong, Collier and Carter have written to the Board of Control declining to go to England to play in the triangular matches except under a manager approved by the team. The Chairman of the Board says that a team will go to England even if all those now playing in the Test matches decline.—Reuter.			
	BALLOT RETURN.		OPIUM CONFERENCE.			
	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Durban, Jan. 24, 4.5 a.m. A ballot of the Thames ironworkers shows that ninety-five per cent. of the men are against a fifty-three hours week, which is the Government's condition in awarding a contract for two warships.—Reuter.		CONVENTION SIGNED. [Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, Jan. 24, 2 p.m. Reuter's correspondent at the Hague states that the Opium Conference has ended. The plenipotentiaries of twelve Powers signed the Convention of twenty-five articles.—Reuter.			

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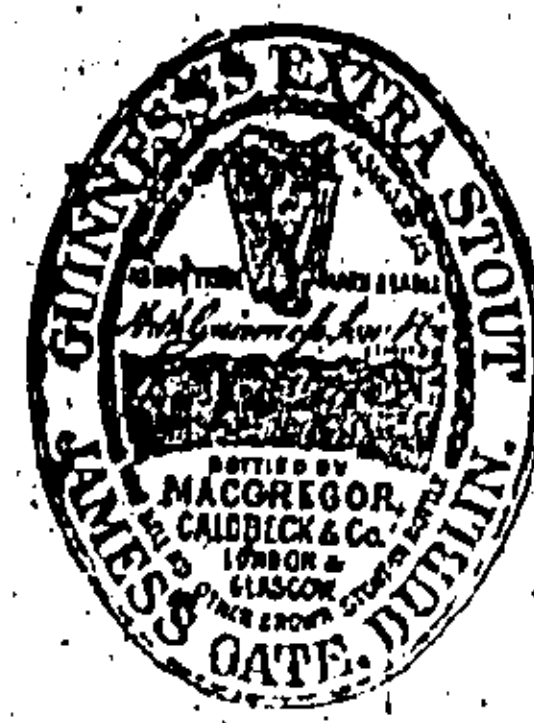
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WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

Rifle-Shooting.

For some years past rifle-shooting
has not occupied the place it
once did in the life of Hongkong.
Like Volunteering it seems to
have entered upon a decline about
the same time and as a result we
have suffered, in prestige as well
as in other things. The fine en-
thusiasm which animated old
Easter meetings passed away as
the men who took part in them
grew older, and unfortunately
when many of these dropped
out, there proved to be none
among the younger generation to
take their place. It was a great
pity, for rifle-shooting is one of
the finest recreations a man can
pursue in his leisure moments,
while it also has the recom-
mendation of not being too ex-
pensive. There will be many in
the Colony, we imagine, who will
gladly welcome the proposals put
forward by Colonel Rowlandson,
of the 126th Beluchistan Infantry,
who has accepted the Presidency
of what was formerly the China
United Services Rifle Association
but now appears under a new
and more engaging title and
will be known henceforth as the
South China Rifle Association.

Daily Press.

Marriages in Japan.

Clergymen in Japan have re-
sisted the view that the marriages
they performed were not entirely
valid in the eyes of the law,
whether extra-territoriality exist-
ed or not, and in this they were
supported by the Bishops. The
result is that a number of mar-
riages have been performed,
which the High Court has held
cannot be legally recognised, and
consequently the offspring of such
marriages were illegitimate, and,
as is well known, a subsequent
legal marriage would not legiti-
mise the children under
English law, though in most
other countries it does. The
Bill now before the House
of Lords, by declaring that those
marriages which have been ir-
regularly performed in Japan
since July 10, 1899, "shall be
and shall be deemed always to
have been as valid in law as if
they had been solemnized within
His Majesty's dominions with the
due observance of all forms re-
quired by law" must be very wel-
come indeed to the people con-
cerned who unwittingly have been
placed in a false position by the
clergy, and the clergy should
experience a feeling of satisfaction
in being thus relieved of a most
serious responsibility.

South China Morning Post.

Italy's Action.

Thus it would seem France is
intent on preserving her good
relations with Italy only on con-
ditions that Italy yields almost
every point of difference between
them. The feeling in France was
interpreted by the remarkable
display of enthusiasm in the
Chamber which greeted M.
Poincaré's statement. We suppose
Italy proposes a resort to the
Arbitration Court at the Hague,
and probably this is the
wisest course open. It would
we believe, guarantee a thorough
and impartial consideration of
the facts and a decision based
thereon. This is one of those
instances, demonstrative of the
real importance of some means
being provided of settling inter-
national disputes apart from the
primeval and arbitrary appeal
to arms. Nothing could be more
absurd than a conflict between
Italy and France over the Ma-
nroba enterprise. Yet many
a war has sprung from an trivial
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IS YUAN A GENIUS?

If report speaks truly the Fates do not appear to be fighting for Yuan Shih-kai. For many weeks past it has been almost generally accepted that he was the man who held the key to the situation in China, the man who was most likely to save China. It would appear now, assuming that the statements made in yesterday's paper are as definite as they seem to be, as though Yuan's chief trouble at present is to save his own skin. He has played his cards cleverly, but his hand may prove not to have been strong enough. The metaphor is deliberately chosen because it seems aptly to fit the case. Yuan is not the Heaven-sent state map and Empire-builder that has been claimed for him. A vast amount of quite unnecessary laudation has been poured out regarding him by newspapers from Peking to Penzance. When one has said that he is a wonderfully astute man who is more likely than not to be on the winning side in the end, whatever he may have been to start with, one has said about all that it is necessary to say by way of praise. His shrewdness was displayed when he assisted the Dowager-Empress in her coup d'état while yet declining to compromise himself in the Boxer affair.

But, with all his cunning ability, he is not one of the new generation which has imbued something of Western culture and Western ideals. He belongs to an earlier type which has little sympathy with the ardent enthusiasms of reformers and not more with the fanaticism of reactionaries. Therein, indeed, lies his strength. He stands in the heart of a conflict of ideas and acts as a buffer between the antagonists. But when a man stands between clashing forces with different temperaments, habits of mind, and interests he must be more than merely an astute man if he is to secure peace. He must be a statesman, a leader, a master-builder. And despite the volume of praise which has been poured forth of late, we doubt whether Yuan is such a iron-willed, magnetic genius as China wants at the present time.

We have said before now that, in our opinion, the chief consideration with Yuan Shih-kai at the moment is the advancement of power. It may be that he has purposed to let matters reach a deadlock in order that he might be asked to accept the reins of revolutionary Government and put matters right. It may be, on the other hand, that with the Emperor a boy of five and the discredited Prince Regent removed from power, Yuan recognises that, if the Monarchy is saved, he might, and probably would, become the real ruler of China. Between that form of Monarchy and a Republic would be mainly a difference of name. Whether a man who plays for personal power, who is probably prepared either to use the Throne, or to discard it, as best suits his purpose, is the man to save China we take leave to doubt. His ability cannot be denied, but it is largely the ability of a schemer for his own advancement and China wants a man of clearer vision than that—a man of commanding power and patriotism. In any event, there are other factors in the problem which make Yuan's task, if his purpose is the seizing of power by means of a limited Monarchy, one of tremendous difficulty. The South will go its own way and will know neither Emperor nor Manchu. Can Yuan cling to the Monarchy and let the richer South go? If he should agree to a secession will the North face the whole of the Empire's liabilities? The problem is too big and too complex for even Yuan Shih-kai to solve except he displays more than mere ability and cunning. It can be solved only by a man of genius, and we doubt whether Yuan is that. If it is true, that he is ready to flee from Peking at any moment, it might almost appear as though Yuan had begun to doubt himself.

DAY BY DAY.

What's done we partly may compute.
But know not what's resisted.

To-day's Paper.
On Page 8 to-day will be found Home Sport while on page 3 is a short but interesting review of the "natural career" of Professor Baldwin, the distinguished airman, who is passing through the Colony. On page 1 is an interesting article on Education in China.

The British cruiser *Norwast* arrived from Shanghai to-day.

Seven men gamblers were fined \$3 each or seven days, at the Magistracy, this morning.

Two coolies were fined \$2 or five days, at the Magistracy, this morning, for acting in a disorderly manner in Tsium-tai-tai, yesterday.

A fine of \$55 was imposed on a man at the Magistracy, this morning, for being unlawfully in possession of opium. The defendant to paying the fine was two months hard labour.

For stealing three pieces of wood valued at \$5 in Yumati, yesterday, Wong Hun-hou, was at the Magistracy, this morning, sent to prison for fourteen days, with hard labour.

An old man from Haiphong, who had been dining with some friends at Shaikwan, late last night, fell into a nullah, so severely fracturing his skull that he died almost immediately.

Arthur J. Kent was found guilty at Shanghai on a charge of converting money belonging to Messrs. Reid, Evans & Co. to his own use. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

A New York telegram dated Jan. 11 says:—The New York Equitable Life fire having destroyed the business papers and books of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the Chamber of Commerce here is experiencing much difficulty.

A man forged the chop of a Central Market tradesman yesterday, and endeavoured to obtain three boxes of cigarettes by representing that he had authority in the way of a signed order. He was not successful, however, in gaining his end, and at the Magistracy, this morning, he was sent to gaol for six months with hard labour.

An Independent News Agency telegram from Tokyo states that Baron I. Yamaza, Councillor of the Japanese Embassy in London, has been ordered home and that Mr. Koike, Japanese Consul-General in London, will be his successor. It is probable that Baron Yamaza will be appointed Minister to Peking and that the present Minister, Mr. Ijima, will be appointed Ambassador to a certain European country.

French Convent School.
Invitations have been issued for the distribution of prizes at the French Convent School on Wednesday, Jan. 31. His Excellency the Governor will preside.

Church Missionary Society.
The annual prize-distribution of St. Paul's College will be held on Saturday next, while that of St. Stephen's Girls' School has been fixed to take place on Thursday next. The prizes at the Girls' School will be presented by Mrs. Atkinson, and Mr. A. H. Harris will provide.

Disobeying the Police.
Before Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., Harbour Master, at the Marine Court this morning, P. C. McMillan charged the owner of a junk with anchoring in a prohibited place and refusing to produce his licence. A fine of \$5 was imposed on each count, in default, 14 days' hard labour, making in all \$10 or one month's hard labour.

Troops from India.
It is announced in Garrison Orders that the following details embarked at Karachi on board the R.M.S. *Hardinge* on 22nd instant:—25th Punjab, 14 British Officers, 5 ladies, 7 children; 850 Indian troops; 95 followers, and 25 transport animals. Supply and Transport Corps—1 W.O., 35 men, and 66 transport animals.

PIUM SEIZURE.

A Heavy Fine.

Detective Sergeant Wills boarded a sampan yesterday afternoon, and in making a search found fifty-five fine containing five hundred tins of prepared opium valued at \$2,500. The sampan was in charge of a woman who was assisted by her son.

At the Magistracy, this morning, before Mr. Irving, the son was discharged, whilst the mother was fined \$500, or six months' imprisonment.

ROLLER SKATING.

Local Successes.

The young ladies competing for a prize for most graceful skating yesterday were Misses Florio Silva, Lily Silva, Milles Encarnacao, Nina Encarnacao, Ida Parker, Lolita Ross and Alice Blake. Miss Milles Encarnacao was the winner, whilst her sister secured the prize for the best costume.

In a race over three quarters of a mile A. Jacobs was beaten by A. Gonzalez.

The race for couples was won by Mr. A. Gamzalis and Miss Nina Encarnacao. Others competing were Mr. H. Blake and Miss Lolita Ross, Master Martin and Miss Alice Blake, Mr. Mascall and Miss Florio Silva.

DIED IN GAOL.

Effects of Opium.

At the Magistracy, this morning, Mr. E. A. Irving, J. P., conducted an enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of a man named Li Cheing, aged 32 years, which took place yesterday in the gaol, where he was undergoing a sentence of six weeks' imprisonment, in default of paying a fine for the unlawful possession of opium.

Thomas Jackson McCauley, warden in the gaol hospital, deposed that certain instructions were given him by the prison doctor, and were carried out. He saw the man die, it was about 4.45 in the afternoon.

D. P. J. Kelly, Medical Officer at the gaol, said that he examined the man about eleven o'clock on the morning of the 24th, when he was making his customary round of the patients, and found him in a state of extreme collapse. He ordered stimulant treatment and later in the day, when he saw him, the man was dead. He made a post-mortem examination, and found that the cause of death was gastro-intestinal and generally debility, caused by opium smoking. He was satisfied that all his examinations had been well carried out.

Mr. Irving said that he thought there could be little doubt that death was due to natural causes and was accelerated by the opium habit.

The verdict was given in accordance with the medical evidence.

The jurors were Messrs. A. H. Reis (Foreman), Ellis Sargan, and M. Rafeek.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

The New Grill Room.

Yesterday evening the new grill room in the Hongkong Hotel was opened to the public, and a good number of guests availed themselves of the opportunity of dining in the new surroundings. The new room is situated on the first floor, immediately at the head of the stairway and is elegantly fitted with a fine, dark wood paneling on which silver is set off to advantage. The white wall and pillars, with the many small tables, shaded lights, flowers and shining cutlery, went to make a truly pleasing picture. The bill of fare gives a very wide field for choice, meeting the needs of the simplest diner, or the more exacting requirements of the pronounced gourmet, all served in an irreproachable manner. A glance through the cooking rooms and grill, all under the constant supervision of two European chefs, showed that no pains had been spared in securing the best preparation of the many dishes provided, and there can be little doubt that the grill room is a decided acquisition which should be far to enhance the popularity of the Hotel.

LADY LUGARD.

The following bulletin, was issued by Dr. G. P. Jordan, at 11 a.m. to-day:—
Her Excellency Lady Lugard continues doing well.

THE MEDICAL CONGRESS.

The Medical Congress held its usual sessions to-day at the City Hall, and a goodly number of papers on various subjects were read.

The following is an abstract of the paper on "The Need for Physiological Standards in Clinical Research" by G. Duncan Whyte, Swatow, read yesterday and which it should be noted had special reference to native races in the Far East, not to Europeans:—

It is especially necessary in a country where post-mortem examinations and exploratory operations are impossible that every thing (stature, weight, excretions and blood) about a patient should be carefully examined.

If those various things are carefully examined many facts will be discovered which are contrary to home experience, i.e. there are differences between the native and the European. Such differences have been found to exist in regard to:—

The proper weight for a man of a given height. The Chinaman is more slightly built than the European.

The composition of the blood. The blood of the native is poorer both in red cells and in colouring matter.

The contents of the excretions. Parasites, usually causing no symptoms were found in 99 per cent. of the people examined.

As each point was dealt with its importance to the physician in diagnosing illness or in forecasting their termination was emphasised.

It is important that more work should be done on these lines to secure the establishment of "Normal Standards," i.e. standards of what may be considered "Normal" for natives of Eastern lands.

THE ECHO.

"Telegraph" Suggestion Adopted.

The reverberant echo in the Chief Justice's court occasioned some little trouble this morning, and in the end brought forth an interesting statement from the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Piggott. In the lengthy family dispute which has occupied the attention of the court for some few days past, Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., who appears for the plaintiff, had occasion to address his Lordship and the echo so caused brought forth the following suggestion:—

If you talk quite *solito voce* then there will be no echo.

Mr. Slade:—I have been trying to do so, my Lord.

His Lordship:—I have sent in to the Registrar's office and I hope we shall improve it if we have some matting on the floor.

Mr. Slade:—May I make a suggestion, my Lord? In the Old Bailey at home I have put up some over-head wires.

His Lordship:—We are going to have over-head wires as well as matting on the floor, for the bare floor helps the echo.

Mr. Slade:—It is very curious that your Lordship sitting under the canopy can be heard better than the Paines Judge outside.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of "The Hongkong Telegraph.")

General Managers.
To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—With reference to the article in last night's issue headed "General Managers—A Shanghai Sensation" containing an extract from the "China Press" of January 18th.

We shall be much obliged if you will make it clear in your article in last night's issue that the Reiss & Co. referred to therein should be stated as *Lugo Reiss & Co., Ltd.* which has no connection with Reiss & Co. of Shanghai and Hongkong.

Thanking you in anticipation.

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TELEGRAMS.

ROYAL VISIT.

IMMENSE SUCCESS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 25, 9.40 a.m.

The visit of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia to New York has proved an immense social success.

According to some of the papers there has not been such a stir in America since the Declaration of Independence.

The visit to Washington has proved equally gratifying to the Americans.—Reuter.

TRIPOLI WAR.

SHELLING THE COAST.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bomby, Jan. 25 9.40 a.m.

Italian warships have shelled some points on the coast between Gaza and Rafah. This has had the effect of terrorising the Bedouins.—Reuter.

HOME RULE.

MEETING OR CONCERT?

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 25, 9.40 a.m.

The Unionists are to hold a concert in the Ulster Hall on Feb. 7.

The Secretary of the Belfast Liberals has had a prolonged conference with Mr. Churchill and others at Downing Street, but no statement has been issued.—Reuter.

THE KING.

ARRIVAL AT MALTA.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 25, 7.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Malta states that the Medici, with the King and Queen Mary on board entered the harbour amid salutes from the warships and batteries and the cheers of multitudes.—Reuter.

OPIUM TRADE.

THE NEW CONVENTION.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 25, 7.50 a.m.

Persia, Siam, Japan, Holland and Russia are among the signatories of the Opium Convention.

The Hague correspondent of the "Times" states that by the Convention the Powers agree to control the production and distribution of raw opium so far as already unregulated; to limit, according to the differences in their commercial conditions, the number of towns and ports where import and export are permitted; and to prohibit or control the export of raw opium to countries where its use is prohibited, or limited and only to allow authorised persons to carry on the trade where it is permitted.

The Powers undertake the gradual suppression of the manufacture and use of prepared opium, and local trade therein according to the legislation of the different countries. The Powers are still not ready for immediate prohibition but will adopt restrictions.

The Powers having treaties with China will undertake to restrict smoking and to limit the number of shops and dens permitted with China.—Reuter.

FRANCE AND ITALY.

A HOPEFUL REPORT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, Jan. 25, 7.50 a.m.

There is every prospect of an amicable Franco-Italian settlement.—Reuter.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Legal Records.

Australia seems to possess the somewhat doubtful honour of being associated with two legal cases, which, if not records, have a distinction of their own. The greater of these, of course, was the Tiohborne case in which Arthur Orion, a butcher, claimed to be Sir Roger Tiohborne. Of a different character, but sufficiently striking in its way was the "Coal Vend Case" which was decided in December last. A Reuter telegram from Sydney, which we published at the time, gave the decision, but not the details. It appears that the hearing lasted for seventy-three days and the delivery of judgment took ten hours and a half. The legal costs, which fall upon the defendants amount to about £30,000 and the fines aggregate £19,500. As an appeal is probable these figures are likely to be considerably increased. The case arose out of an alleged conspiracy by the members of the Coal Vend or Trust to regulate the price of coal to consumers.

Who is Responsible?

The argument advanced by many that the statues in Royal square should be surrounded with railing, has now at least some conclusive fact to support it. The granite pedestal to the statue of King George has been plentifully daubed round the base with a brilliant vermilion powder. From the way the powder is scattered it may have been the work of some of the children who are continually playing on Hongkong's finest site. Apart from the question of how it has been done, the effect is far from beautiful, and the knowledge that this state has existed for some days leads us to ask: Who is responsible?

The Weather.

Casting about for some explanation of the singularly unpropitious weather we have been experiencing we found one. Christmas Day fell on a Monday! The previous connection may not be clear, but we hasten to give our authority. An old manuscript poem, the authorship of which is unknown, says:—
If Christmas Day on Monday be,
A great winter that year you'll see.
And if of winds both land and skill,
Tut in summer, tuit in tell,
High winds, shall there be, and strong,
Full of tempests lasting long;
While batt'ers they shall my lipply,
And great plenty of beasts shall die,
They that be born that I ween,
They shall be strong each one, and I see,
He shall be found that teacheth ought,
They that are sick, then die, not.

"Janwar" Wins.

A fervid, if not a perfervid, Scot writes:—It is not easy to understand why the Scotsmen resident in Hongkong—and there are a few—should take next to no notice of Burns's birthday and make a splash over St. Andrew's Day, almost certainly never saw Scotland any more than St. George's over any England. At Home Scotsmen honour the birthday of Burns and care next to nothing about St. Andrew. They have to go abroad to discover that St. Andrew's Day is the—some day or other in November; I am not certain which. Frankly, I am disappointed that Burns's birthday is passed unnoticed. I had thought that the words and music of his songs had so passed into the blood of Scotsmen that they could never forget his natal day. Curious, is it not, how some of us passed over early years without reading a line of Burns, yet reached manhood's years to discover that we had forgotten all of the Shorter Catechism (except "man's chief end"), which made our school days miserable, and knew a vast deal of Burns. The airs to which his songs are wedded, the words and the spirit of his songs, seem to be borne on the breezes that blow over the moors and the hills of home. Unconsciously we imbibed them in our early years only (it seems) to forget them when we come east of Suez. Is it that they are so essentially Scottish that they flourish best in a Scottish atmosphere, moderately well in any Canada, but languish in the humid atmosphere of the Far East? Perhaps they miss the "Janwar" Wind which seems to be going direct to the chimes at Home just now.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

Hongkong Land Reclamation Co.

The tenth annual general meeting of the Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., was held this morning in the Company's office, Victoria Buildings, when the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross, presided. Those present included Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. C. S. Gubbay, E. Shellim, Ho Kum-tong, A. E. Asgar, J. H. Seth, A. Shelton Hooper, Ho Fook, A. A. Fife, Lo Chung-shiu and the Secretary, Mr. M. S. Northcote.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—Our report and balance sheet having been in your possession for some days, may, I think, be taken as read. (In accordance with the requirement of the Company's Ordinance, the Chairman read the auditor's report.) There does not appear to be anything in the accounts now before us calling for special comment. As your chairman informed you at the last meeting your property at Kennedy Town has been leased at a monthly rental of \$1,500 in addition to which we were able to let for a short period on good terms a portion of our vacant land in Yau-mati which accounts for the increase in rent account.

The house property in Yau-mati continues to be fully occupied and is in good order.

No sales of property have occurred during the past year and we still own 252,254 square feet of land with marine frontage at Kowloon Point and 429,833 square feet with marine frontage in Canton Road, Yau-mati, for the disposal of some of which, negotiations are now pending and will no doubt have been carried through long before our next meeting.

While the net profits for the year are in themselves small, we are again able to pay the usual dividend of 7 percent on the paid up capital and to carry forward a sum sufficient to guarantee a like dividend for another year or two, even on an ordinary year's working.

There being no questions the chairman proposed the adoption of accounts. Mr. Asgar seconded and the motion was carried.

Messrs. C. S. Gubbay and E. Shellim were confirmed in their re-appointment to the board, on the motion of Mr. Ho Kum-tong, seconded by Mr. Ho Fook.

On the proposition of Mr. Lo Chung-shiu, seconded by Mr. J. H. Seth, Messrs. E. Shellim and Ho Fook were re-elected to the board of directors.

The accountants, Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Gourdin, offering themselves for re-election were appointed on the proposition of the chairman, seconded by Mr. A. A. Fife.

The chairman:—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.

The twenty-third ordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd., was held this morning at the Victoria Buildings. The Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross presided. Those present were Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. H. A. Liebs, G. Kriesland, H. S. White, C. S. Gubbay, E. Shellim, J. Robinson, J. M. E. Machado, H. W. Looker, F. Maitland, M. S. Northcote, and Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, secretary.

The Chairman said:—The report and accounts have been in your hands for some time, I will with your approval take them as read, but as is now required under the New Companies Ordinance, I will read to you the report of the auditors:—

"We report that we have audited the above balance sheet with the books and vouchers of the company in Hongkong and that in our opinion such balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the company's affairs at the 31st December 1911; according to the best of our information and the explanations given us, and as shown by the books of the company. We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required, and H. P. Smith, F.C.A., and E. Edwards, auditors."

From the accounts now before you, you will notice that our gross earnings show an increase of

\$80,000, as compared with those of the previous year.

This increase is made up principally, by profit on sales of property, same \$57,000, and increase in our rent roll of over \$24,000 but on the other hand our commission account is slightly lower by some \$370.

Turning to the other side of the account, it will be seen that "charges" are higher by some \$400. "Repairs" have cost us about \$2,177 more than last year and that the net debit on account of "Interest" has increased by some \$9,600, due as you will no doubt have observed to the smaller revenue now received on account of "Interest on Mortgages."

After paying managing directors fees, and a final dividend of \$3.1-4 per share, we are therefore enabled to carry forward \$41,758.85 as against \$24,679.39 brought forward from last half year.

It will I am sure be noted with much satisfaction that we are enabled to again show an item of profit from sales of property, also a material increase in the principal item of our normal revenue, the "Rent Account." This has no doubt been caused by the large influx of Chinese from the neighbouring Provinces, who have come to Hongkong during the past year, and there seems no immediate prospect of their returning to China.

A certain amount of the company's property has been satisfactorily leased for a few years, but the demand has not yet exceeded the supply. During the year under review, the company's property has been efficiently maintained, the large sum of \$32,973 having been expended in placing it in a good state of repair.

I think it well to call attention to the New Companies Ordinance, the provisions of which, have in many cases been made very stringent, with a view, presumably, of still further safeguarding the shareholders' interests. As I have already stated it requires the auditors' certificate to be read to you, and to be worded in a certain way. It also enacts that the remuneration to be paid to auditors shall in future be fixed by shareholders at the ordinary general meeting, and not as hitherto by your board of directors—it becomes necessary therefore for you to do so to-day and a resolution to that effect will be submitted for your approval.

Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts if shareholders have any questions to put to me, I will endeavour to answer them to the best of my ability.

There being no questions the chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Maitland, in seconding, said that the shareholders should congratulate themselves on the sound position of the company. Their thanks were due to the directors and the staff for managing the affairs so well. He thought they were upon such a sound basis that they could look forward to dividends, which were the chief things that the shareholders had in view—to a steady dividend of 7 per cent., and in time to come, some little increase.

For many years past, he thought he was right in saying, huge profits were made and huge dividends were paid. They were perhaps too big and he suggested that if they made large profits in the future the directors should put some of them by and not pay all away in dividends. He hoped the directors would consider it better to build up the company than to pay big dividends.

The Chairman:—I am sure your remarks will receive the attention of the directors and I hope your optimistic predictions will be correct.

The motion was carried.

The appointment of Messrs. E. Shellim and C. S. Gubbay to the Board of Directors in place of Messrs. W. Logan and S. A. Levy was confirmed on the motion of Mr. H. W. Looker, seconded by Mr. Maitland.

The retiring directors, Messrs. H. A. Liebs and C. S. Gubbay were re-elected on the proposal of Mr. Machado, seconded by Mr. Maitland.

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. H. W. Looker, Messrs. H. P. Smith and R. O.

Edwards were re-appointed auditors.

The West Point Building Co., Ltd.

The twenty-third annual general meeting of the shareholders in the above company was held this morning, in Victoria Buildings when there were present:—Sir Paul Chater in the chair, Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross, Messrs. J. W. O. Bonnar, S. A. Levy, J. M. E. Machado, H. W. Looker, F. Maitland, Chapman, G. S. Gubbay, R. E. Edwards, M. S. Northcote and Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, secretary.

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COMPANY REPORT.

Union Waterboat Co., Ltd.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the seventh ordinary annual meeting of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., to be held at the company's offices, on Tuesday, January 30, at noon:—

Consulting Committee:—G. H. Medhurst, Esq., Chairman, P. J. Bisschop, Esq., J. W. C. Bonnar, Esq., T. Kusumoto, Esq., C. A. Tomes, Esq., A. H. Skelton, Esq.

The General Managers have now the pleasure to submit their Annual Report and Statement of the Company's Accounts made up to December 31, 1911.

The net profits for the year ended December 31, 1911, after allowing for Consulting Committee and Auditor's fees, amount to \$41,307.69.

The General Managers recommend the payment of a dividend of 7.1-2 per cent, which will absorb \$20,792.25, write off \$20,000.00 from the value of the Waterboats, \$418.04 from the value of Pipes and Slinging, and carry forward a balance of \$97.40 to the new Account.

Consulting Committee:—Since the last meeting Mr. R. Shewan and Mr. C. G. Gok, have resigned, and Mr. C. A. Tomes has joined the Committee.

Auditors:—The Accounts under review have been audited by Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin.

Dodwell & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

COAL THAT WENT ASTRAY.

Sued for Freight

In the Summary Court before Mr. Justice Gompertz, this morning, Sam Ayeck sued Messrs. Gilman & Co., merchants, to recover \$644.50 alleged to be due for lighters and demurrage, labour supplied and launch hire.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. J. Grist for the defence.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing told His Lordship that the plaintiff supplied lighters to the defendant company for the conveyance of coal to and from ships.

His Lordship:—Are the contracts in writing?

No, my lord, but the defendant says the accounts have been settled under a receipt which they will produce.

Continuing plaintiff's advocate said that there had been a general settlement, but the items upon which the claim was based, were

quite apart from that, and he was prepared to prove that it was so. Mr. Grist explained to His Lordship that certain of the items in dispute would undoubtedly have become due had not the plaintiff lost 47 tons of coal, which they were employed to carry, in transit. The coal never even reached the godowns, and certain other items, including nine days' demurrage, were never due, while other charges were now claims which had never been made before. The same applied to some of the items in the claim for lighterage. They were not due because the plaintiff sold the coal, in respect of which the charge was made, ex-ship.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing contended that the receipt mentioned did not cover the sum now claimed for. The loss of the 47 tons of coal was never mentioned until after the date of the receipt.

After hearing evidence His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff for \$100.50 and for the defendant as far as the balance was concerned. A stay of execution was granted to allow of a cross-action being brought.

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Hongkong, 25th Jan. 1912.

NOTICE.

MR. JOHN JOHNSTONE has been admitted a Member of our Company and Mr. ALFRED BROOKE SMITH, Mr. GEORGE WALTER SHEPPARD and Mr. JOHN EDWARD GIBSON have been authorized to sign on behalf of the Company for presentation.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY-FIRST ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 6th February, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director and electing Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th January to 6th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. E. CLARKE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th Jan., 1912.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the

TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, 5th February, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 29th January, to MONDAY, the 5th February, 1912 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Reclamation and Agency Company, Ltd., Agents for the Kowloon Land & Building Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, 20th Jan., 1912.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamship	On
MANILA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 27th Jan., 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	Sunday, 28th Jan., 11 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUMSANG	Monday, 29th Jan., Noon.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Wednesday, 31st Jan., Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 3rd Feb., 2 p.m.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL—February 3rd to 10th, 1912.

A special reduced fare of \$50 for Return Passengers will be issued for our sailings to Manila of the 29th and 27th January, available for 30 days from date of issue. Passengers taking out these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD.**
Telephone No. 215. General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1912.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

PROJECTED HOMEWARD SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamers	Date of Departure
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PEMBROKESHIRE"	3rd February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	28th February.

All steamers have excellent accommodation for a limited number of First Class Passengers. Cabins are situated amidships, and are fitted with electric light and fans. Attention is directed to the moderate fares charged.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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AGENTS.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1912.

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HONGKONG TO MACAO.

Week days at 8 a.m. & 2 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sunday at 9 a.m. & 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MACAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 7.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday, at 7.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 28th JANUARY.

The Company's Steamship.

"SUI AN"

will depart from the Company's WING LOK WHARF at 9 a.m. Departure from Macao at 5 p.m.
N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday, leaving at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

This Steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 p.m.

FARES AS USUAL.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. HOI-SANG, 457 Tons.

Departures from Macao to Canton on Mon., Wednes., & Fri., at 9 p.m. Departures from Canton to Macao on Tues., Thurs., & Satur., at 4.30 p.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF
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CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 583 Tons, and "NANNING," 589 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "LINTAN" and "SANUI." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

Booking Office open daily (Sunday excepted) 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Further particulars may be obtained at the office of the

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Shipping—Steamers

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destinations	Steamers	Sailing Dates
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SOERABAYA & PORT SAID	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, T. 9,000 TANGO MARU, Capt. K. Kawana, T. 8,000	WEDNESDAY, 31st Jan., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, OMI & YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU, Capt. T. Iizawa, T. 7,000 SADO MARU, Capt. J. Richards, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon. TUESDAY, 13th Feb., at Noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sakine, T. 5,000 NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon. FRIDAY, 16th Mar., at Noon.
BOMBAY & COLOMBO via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	TOSA MARU, Capt. Sato, T. 6,000	MONDAY, 5th Feb.
NASKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU, Capt. K. Homma, T. 7,000	THURSDAY, 1st Feb., at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Tozawa, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 31st Jan.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	TENSHIN MARU, Capt. T. Hori, T. 4,000	MONDAY, 23rd Jan.

† Cargo only.
‡ Fitted with new system of wireless telegraphy.

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
TANGO MARU	8,000	K. Kawana	Feb. 14th.
KAMO MARU	9,000	F. L. Sommer	Feb. 28th.
AKI MARU	7,000	K. Homma	May 18th.
MISHIMA MARU	9,000	A. O. Moses	Mar. 27th.
KAGA MARU	7,000	M. Hagino	April 10th.
ATSUTA MARU	9,000	Wm. Thompson	April 24th.
HITACHI MARU	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th.
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Murai	May 22nd.
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomimaga	Feb. 27th.
TAMBA MARU	7,000	K. Noda	Mar. 26th.
SANUKI MARU	7,000	T. Iizawa	April 9th.
AWA MARU	7,000	T. Iizawa	April 23rd.
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomimaga	May 21st.

From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Chater Road.

T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

For	Steamers	To Sail
AMOI, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"SHANSI"	26th Jan., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	27th " 11 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & JOLO	"KAIFONG"	29th " 4 a.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	31st " 10 a.m.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

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¶ N.B.—Passengers must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailings. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

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Next Sailings from Hongkong:

OUTWARD.

For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:

S.S. Goldenfels.....31st Jan.

Suevia.....18th Feb.

Belgravia.....26th Feb.

Saghen.....8th Mar.

C. Ferd. Lages.....30th Mar.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

HOMEWARD.

For Marseilles, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Sogoya".....28th Jan.

For Havre, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Sambia".....6th Feb.

For Havre, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. "Silesia".....13th Feb.

For Marseilles, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Saxonia".....16th Feb.

For Marseilles, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Ambia".....20th Feb.

For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. "Spezia".....29th Feb.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie,

Hongkong Office.



HONGKONG—PHILIPPINES

PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP CO.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO...	4000	M. C. Smith	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	WEDNESDAY, 31st Jan., 4 p.m.
RUBI.....	4000	S. Crosby	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	SATURDAY, 10th Feb., 4 p.m.

Philippines Carnival, Feb. 8 to 12, 1912.
For sailing on January 30, special reduced rate, Hongkong-Manila and return \$50.00.

No Polltax.

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GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong 20th January, 1912.

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Hongkong, 12th Jan., 1912.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Regular Fortnightly Service between

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
Tjimanok	11,000	W. W. Green	Feb. 18th, Noon.
Tjilatjap	11,000	A. G. Stevens	Mar. 8th, Noon.
Tjilawong	11,000	E. Bent	Mar. 15th, Noon.
Tjilahi	11,000	H. S. Smith	Apr. 9th, Noon.
Tjitaroen	11,000	H. S. Smith	Apr. 23rd, Noon.
Tjipanas	11,000	H. S. Smith	May 7th, Noon.
Tjibodas	11,000	H. S. Smith	May 21st, Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration)
Steamer Tons Captain Date of sailing

S.S. "Chiyo Maru" ...21,000...W. W. Green...Feb. 18th, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru" ...11,000...A. G. Stevens...Mar. 8th, Noon.

S.S. "Tenny Maru" ...11,000...E. Bent...Mar. 15th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru" ...11,000...H. S. Smith...Apr. 9th, Noon.

† These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screw.
All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

‡ The triple screw steamer "CHIYO MARU" will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 16th February, at Noon.

§ INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.
The steamer "Nippon Maru" 11,000 tons Capt. A. G. Stevens, will be despatched for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on Friday 8th March, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration)
Steamer Tons Date of sailing

Kiyo Maru ...17,500...Tuesday, Feb. 18, Noon.
Buyo Maru ...10,000...Tuesday, April 9, Noon.
Hongkong Maru ...11,000...Friday, June 7, Noon.

† These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screw.
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‡ For further particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to
K. MATSUDA, Agent,
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LOG BOOK.

Coast Officers' Gazette.

(From the "Leading Light" of January 10.)

Mr. O. B. Conby, chief officer, Kiangtzen, has gone chief officer, Toonnan.

Mr. C. Taylor, chief officer, Toonnan, has gone chief officer, Kiangtzen.

Mr. W. M. Marshall, second engineer, Kiangtzen, has gone second engineer, Hsin Ming.

Mr. R. Aikenhead, second engineer, Hsin Ming, is on leave.

Mr. G. Price, from leave, has gone second officer, Hsin Pekin.

Mr. J. Hutchison, chief engineer, * Tatung, is awaiting orders.

Mr. W. Roberts, from leave, has gone supernumerary second officer, Hsin Pekin.

Mr. T. Murray, chief engineer, Pekin, has gone chief engineer, Tatung.

Captain Ainslie, from leave, has gone master, Luohow.

Mr. R. Burns, acting third engineer, Tatung, has gone acting third engineer, Chonan.

Captain French, acting master, Luohow, is awaiting orders.

Mr. A. Aldridge, from leave, has gone third engineer, Tatung.

Mr. F. G. Wedlock has been appointed supernumerary second officer, Hsin Pekin.

Mr. J. Lafferty, from leave, has gone supernumerary third engineer, Pekin.

Mr. H. D. Cranston, third engineer, Luohow, is on leave.

Mr. J. Maher, supernumerary, Hsin Pekin, has gone third engineer, Luohow.

Mr. J. Sinclair, second engineer, Yochow, has gone supernumerary, Hsin Pekin.

Mr. J. McLaren, supernumerary, Hsin Pekin, has gone second engineer, Yochow.

Mr. J. Fisher, supernumerary, Dredger, has gone supernumerary second engineer, Hsin Pekin.

Mr. D. S. Whyte, third engineer, Chonan, has gone acting second engineer, Kwelin.

Mr. W. E. Egle, second officer, Kanohow, has gone second officer, Wuhu.

Mr. T. McLean, awaiting orders, has gone chief engineer, Koochow.

Mr. J. McGillivray, acting chief engineer, Koochow, has gone supernumerary, Pekin.

Mr. D. McDougall, from leave, has gone third engineer, Poyang.

Mr. D. V. White, acting third engineer, Poyang, is on leave.

Mr. H. N. Cornwell, supernumerary, Loongwo, has gone second officer, Kutwo.

Mr. F. Sour, chief officer, Tukwo, has gone master Luohow.

Mr. W. D. McArthur, second officer, Esang, has gone acting chief officer, Tukwo.

Mr. W. B. Paton, second officer, Tingsang, has gone second officer, Esang.

SPORT.

Results of Home Football Matches.

The following are the results of the football matches played on Dec. 30 and Jan. 1, and the state of the League tables up to and including Saturday, Dec. 30.

PLAYED ON DEC. 30.

The League, Division I.

Aston Villa	0
Bradford City	0
Blackburn Rovers	2
Bury	1
Liverpool	4
Woolwich A.	1
Manchester U.	0
Manchester City	0
Middlesbrough	3
Sunderland	3
Newcastle United	5
Bolton W.	2
Notts County	2
West Bromwich A.	0
Sheffield Wed.	3
Preston N.E.	3
Sheffield United	4
Oldham Athletic	0
Everton	1
Tottenham H.	0

P.L.W.L.D.P.

Newcastle United	21	13	5	3	20
Blackburn R.	21	10	8	5	25
Everton	21	11	7	3	25
Manchester U.	20	9	5	6	24
Bradford City	21	10	7	4	24
Middlesbrough	20	9	6	5	23
Notts County	20	10	7	3	23
Sheffield Wed.	21	9	8	4	22
Aston Villa	20	9	7	4	22
Tottenham H.	21	9	8	4	22
Sunderland	20	8	7	5	21
West Brom. A.	20	8	7	5	21
Bolton W.	20	8	7	5	21
Sheffield United	20	7	9	4	18
Woolwich A.	20	6	9	5	17
Freston N.E.	20	6	10	4	16
Liverpool	20	6	9	6	16
Manchester City	20	5	9	6	16
Oldham Athletic	19	5	11	3	13
Bury	19	11	3	5	7

The League, Division II.

Bradford	3
Birmingham	0
Barnley	4
Glossop	0
Derby County	5
Clapton Orient	1
Fulham	2
Bristol City	1
Hull City	3
Blackpool	0
Leeds City	3
Nottingham F.	1
Chelsea	1
Stockport County	0
Grimsby Town	2
Wolverhampton W.	1

P.W.L.D.P.

Derby County	20	14	3	3	31
Burnley	21	12	3	6	30
Chelsea	21	12	4	5	29
Hull City	20	13	4	3	29
W'hampton W.	21	10	6	5	25
Barnley	20	10	5	5	25
Clapton Orient	20	10	7	3	23
Bradford	20	8	6	6	22
Fulham	20	9	7	3	21
Grimsby Town	21	7	7	7	21
Nottingham F.	20	8	8	4	20
Huddersfield	18	7	7	4	18
Blackpool	20	7	9	4	18
Leeds City	21	6	12	3	15
Bristol City	21	6	12	3	15
Leicester Fosse	21	5	11	5	15
Birmingham	21	5	12	4	14
Stockport County	18	2	9	7	11
Gainsborough T.	19	2	10	7	11
Glossop	19	1	11	7	9

Southern League.

Brighton	4
Stoke	0
Northampton	2
Coventry City	1
Swindon Town	6
Leighton	2
Bristol Rovers	4
Norwich City	1
Crystal Palace	1
West Ham	0
Millwall Athletic	3
Southampton	3
Queen's Park Rangers	2
Plymouth Argyle	0
Brentford	0
Reading	0
Watford	1
Exeter City	0
Luton	3
New Brompton	0

Division 2.

Kettering	3
Treharris	0
Ten Pentre	5
Chesham Town	0
Portsmouth	1
Morthyr Town	0

P.W.L.D.P.

Swindon	21	13	3	2	34
Queen's Park R.	20	13	4	3	29
Northampton	20	11	4	5	27
Plymouth Argyle	20	10	4	6	26
Crystal Palace	18	9	4	5	23
Millwall Athletic	20	8	5	7	23
Brighton and Hove	20	8	7	5	21
Coventry City	20	9	9	2	20
Reading	19	6	5	8	20
Bristol Rovers	19	6	5	8	20
Watford	19	6	6	7	19
Norwich City	20	7	9	4	18
West Ham United	19	6	8	5	17
Southampton	20	5	8	7	17
Brentford	20	6	9	5	17
Stoke	19	6	9	4	16
Luton	20	4	9	7	15
Exeter City	20	4	10	6	14
Leyton	17	2	11	4	8
New Brompton	19	2	12	5	9

PLAYED ON JAN. 1.

The League: Div. I.

Blackburn Rovers	3
Preston N.E.	0
Liverpool	1
Bradford City	0
Manchester United	2
Woolwich A.	0
Sheffield United	2
Newcastle United	1
Sunderland	0
Sheffield Wednesday	0
Aston Villa	3
Bolton Wanderers	0
Bury (h)	1
West Bromwich A.	0

The League: Division II.

Barrow	0
Huddersfield	0
Blackpool	2
Glossop	0
Stockport County	4
Derby County	0

Southern League.

Reading	2
Southampton	0
Scottish League.	
H't of Midlothian	3
Hibernians	0
Greenock Morton	2
Aberdeen	1
Partick Thistle	2
Third Lanark	2
Celtic	3
Glasgow Rangers	0
Airdrieonians	1
Motherwell	0
Kilmarnock	1
St. Mirren	1
Falkirk	0
Dundee	0
Hamilton Acads	0
Clyde	0

Local Sport.

CRICKET.

C. S. C. v. Naval Yard. The following will represent the Civil Service C. C. v. R. E. Naval Yard on Saturday:—R. E. O. Bird (Capt.), R. O. Hutchison, R. C. W. Mitchell, A. R. Sutherland, Dr. Atkinson, L. E. Brett, H. Tallman, I. McEwen, A. E. Wood, H. L. O. Garrett and Hamilton.

RUGBY.

The Army v. Navy cup match will be played on Saturday, at 4.15 p.m. The following will represent the Army:—Back—Lt. Williams, A.S.C.; Three-quarters—Lt. Collins, R.G.A., Lt. Park, R.G.A., Lt. Bagnall, R.G.A., and Lt. Collis Browne, K.O.Y.L.I.; Half-backs—Lt. Thicknesse and Lt. Wiltshire; Forwards—Capt. Loring, R.G.A., Lt. Bradley, K.O.Y.L.I., Lt. Kent, K.O.Y.L.I., Lt. Benton, R.G.A., Opl. Soruton, K.O.Y.L.I., Gnt. Ryan, R.G.A., Pte. Grant, K.O.Y.L.I., and Opl. Burgess, R.G.A.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

We have received the programme for the February meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club. There are to be three days racing, Feb. 20, 22 and 23. The entries are good and there is every promise of a most successful meeting.

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hoph, Szeehuen, Kienan, Kueichow and Tientsin.

MAILS DUE.

German, Derflinger, 26th inst. Siberian, Panama Mail, 20th inst. American, Manchuria, 3rd inst. American, Mongolia, 28th inst.

MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 26th Jan., 10 a.m. Bangkok—Per Derawongse, 26th Jan., 11 a.m. Macao—Per Sul Tai, 26th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Amoy, Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Shanghai, 26th Jan., 3 p.m. Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.) Siberian Mail to Europe—Per Empress of India, 26th Jan., 5 p.m. Amoy and Shanghai—Per Tjilatjap, 27th Jan., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—Per Siberian, 27th Jan., noon.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Yoon-sang, 27th Jan., 1 p.m. Java—Per Sul Tai, 27th Jan., 1.15 p.m.

Amoy, Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Shanghai, 27th Jan., 3 p.m. Shanghai—Per Haimun, 27th Jan., 5 p.m.

SHANGHAI, Siberian Mail to Europe—Per Haimun, 27th Jan., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 28th Jan., 9 a.m. Amoy and Tamsui—Per Daigimaru, 28th Jan., 9 a.m. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Kamsang, 28th Jan., 11 a.m. Swatow—Per Haimun, 30th Jan., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle, Wash. (Siberian Mail to Europe)—Per Awa-maru, 30th Jan., 10 a.m.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN—(Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Per Tonkin, 30th Jan., 11 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Kai-fong, 30th Jan., 3 p.m. Manila, Mangas, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Zafiro 30th Jan., 3 p.m. Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per Hirao-jima, 30th Jan., 5 p.m.

Hoihow and Haiphong (taking Mails for Pakhoi)—Per Singan, 31st Jan., 9 a.m. Sandakan—Per Mausang, 31st Jan., 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 1st Feb., 10 a.m. Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and San Francisco (Siberian Mail to Europe)—Per China, 2nd Feb., noon.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN—(Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 2nd Feb., at 5 p.m.—Per Arendia, 3rd Feb., 11 a.m.

Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Luncheon, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle—Per St. Albans, 3rd Feb., 9 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Loing-sang, 3rd Feb., 1 p.m.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN—(Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Per Goben, 6th Feb., 11 a.m.

Sydney, Hobart, Luncheon, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per Aldenham, 7th Feb., 11 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The s.s. Zafiro was to leave Manila to-day, and is due here on the 28th inst., at daylight.

The Seng Line s.s. Glenogle will be despatched for Amoy, Straits and Hongkong on the 31st inst.

The s.s. Skerries, from Puget Sound for Hongkong and Manila, arrived at Yokohama on the 23rd inst.

The Linas s.s. Goldenfels left Singapore on the 24th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on 30th inst., a.m.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of Japan arrived at Yokohama at 8 a.m. to-day, and left again at 3 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 3 p.m. on the 26th inst.

ARRIVALS.

Glenfalloch, Br. s.s., 1,434, Townsend, 23rd Jan.—Singapore 17th Jan., Gen.—Joo Tak Seng.

Quinta, Ger. s.s., 985, F. Schlingner, 23rd Jan.—Bangkok and Hoihow 22nd Jan., Gen.—S. & Co.

Bessie Dollar, Br. s.s., 2,237, C. H. Cross, 23rd Jan.—Manila 20th Jan., Gen.—D. & Co.

Kwanglee, Chi. s.s., 1,408, E. H. Pratt, 24th Jan.—Shanghai 21st Jan., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Peleus, Br. s.s., 4,800, H. Nicholas, 24th Jan.—Swatow 21st Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Signal, Ger. s.s., 907, J. Iversen, 24th Jan.—Pakhoi 22nd Jan., Gen.—J. & Co.

Linan, Br. s.s., 1,350, C. C. Williams, 24th Jan.—Shanghai 21st Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Kansu, Br. s.s., 1,068, K. E. Inubben, 24th Jan.—Moji 10th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Silverbird, Br. s.s., 2,305, A. M. Gregor, 25th Jan.—Moji 11th Jan., Gen.—Bank Line.

Haimun, Br. s.s., 641, A. H. Stewart, 25th Jan.—Swatow 24th Jan., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Shansi, Br. s.s., 1,228, H. O. Lincoln, 25th Jan.—Canton 24th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Knight of the Thistle, Br. s.s., 4,286, G. S. Baker, 25th Jan.—New York, Kerosine oil—S. O. & Co.

Newcastle, Br. cruiser, 4,800, G. E. P. Hunt, 25th Jan.—Shanghai 22nd Jan.

Prinz Waldemar, Ger. s.s., 1,787, H. Bremer, 25th Jan.—Yokohama 18th Jan., Gen.—M. & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOR OFFICE.

Machew, for Swatow. Haitan, for Foochow. Haimun, for Swatow. Dove, for Kwangchowwan. Silverbird, for Liverpool. Chenan, for Shanghai. Linan, for Canton.

DEPARTED.

Jan. 25. Glenfalloch, for Amoy. Kwangsi, for Haiphong. Haitan, for Coast Ports. Asahi-maru, for Dairen. Hikosan-maru, for Miike. Onang, for Canton. Kwanglee, for Canton. Chenan, for Shanghai. Landrat Schief, for Bangkok. Faussang, for Hongay. Lucerie, for Manila. Michael Jensen, for Saigon. Peleus, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. China, arrived 24th Jan. from San Francisco, &c.:—Allen, Miss P. Herman, Mrs. L. Barnes, A. Hany, Mrs. M. Baldwin, T. S. Hys, Dr. J. R. Brock, G. H. Le-butter, M. S. Brown, A. Loo Chung jun Lo Kot-pun Broz, Miss M. Mayr, Mrs. S. P. Cleland, Mrs. M. Maage, Mrs. F. Cleland, Master V. W. Olor, Miss A. D. Nichols, H. Chung, Mrs. Owen, G. J. Chun Sue-mak Peterson, Miss M. Chun Sen Platt, Mr. & Mrs. P. L. D. Eberly, Mr. & Mrs. D. A. Eberly, Miss C. E. Ellis, Miss L. Fox, Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Gardner, G. R. Gertsch, Miss B. M. Gost, J. Shin Loo-peeg Sen, K. F. Wjag Yee-lee Woon, A. F. Harrier, Mr. & Mrs. Yau Hang-tou F. J. Yau Wun-tee

Per s.s. Prinz Waldemar, arrived 25th Jan. from Yokohama:—Malla, Dr. Norris, Dr.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Antiochus, Br. s.s., 6,792, A. R. Stewart, 21st Jan.—Seattle 27th Dec., and Kuchiatzu 17th Jan., Flour—B. & S.

Awa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,912, T. Iri-sawa, 24th Jan.—Seattle via Japan and Shanghai 21st Jan.; Gen.—N. Y. K.

Changsha, Br. s.s., 1,227, E. Finlayson, 22nd Jan.—Manila 19th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

China, Am. s.s., 3,186, Emory Rice, 24th Jan.—San Francisco 27th Dec., Mail and—Gen. P. M. S. Co.

Chip Shing, Br. s.s., 1,199, Mooney, 23rd Jan.—Canton 22nd Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 848, H. Murayama, 24th Jan.—Swatow 23rd Jan., Gen.—O. & K.

Derawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,057, E. Gathemann, 20th Jan.—Bangkok and Swatow 19th Jan., Rice and—Timber—H. & S.

Dovre, Nor. s.s., 733, F. Sigvaland, 24th Jan.—Kwanchuwan 21st Jan., Gen.—Wo Yick S. S. Co.

Empress of India, Br. s.s., 6,940, E. Beetham, 6th Jan.—Vancouver 14th Dec., and Shanghai 2nd Jan., Mail and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Fengtein, Br. s.s., 1,073, A. Harris, 15th Jan.—Swatow 11th Jan., Ballast—B. & S.

Fritzhof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Ande sen, 24th Jan.—Canton 23rd Jan., Beans—T. & Co.

Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 21st Jan.—Shanghai and Swatow 17th Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,142, H. E. Laver, 22nd Jan.—Moji 16th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

 Koan Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,401, M. Yama-mura, 23rd Jan.—Moji 17th Jan., Coal—A. & Co. || Kueichow, Br. s.s., 1,611, E. Forayth, 18th Jan.—Manila 15th Jan., Gen.—B. & S. |
| Kun Chow, Br. s.s., 1,500, Martin, 10th Jan.—Fulo Laut 28th Dec., Coal—Man Fat. |
| Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, F. Wheeler, 23rd Jan.—Calcutta 8th Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co. |
| Loonginoo, Ger. s.s., 1,971, W. Vogeler, 19th Jan.—Hongay 17th Jan., Coal—M. D. K. Lovat, Br. s.s., 3,376, R. Clegg, 29th Dec.—Liverpool and Singapore 23rd Dec., Gen.—D. & Co. |
| Machew, Ger. s.s., 998, R. G. Zollner, 16th Jan.—Bangkok, Rice—B. & S. |
| Minnesota, Am. s.s., 13,323, T. W. Garlick, 21st Jan.—Seattle 17th Dec., and Manila 19th Jan., Gen.—N. Y. K. |
| Pheumphen, Br. s.s., 1,055, Jan. H. Scott, 24th Jan.—Saigon 20th Jan., Gen.—Wo Fat Sing. |
| Phimang, Ger. s.s., 2,310, N. O. Reher, 22nd Jan.—Bangkok and Hoihow 21st Jan., Rice—B. & S. |
| Rajaburi, Br. s.s., 1,104, O. Wolf, 1st Jan.—Singapore 24th and Hoihow 31st Dec., Iron—B. & S. |
| Rajah, Ger. s.s., 1,275, A. Roscher, 9th Jan.—Pengkai (Gr. Natus) 1st Jan., Timber—B. & S. |
| Shantung, Br. s.s., 1,850, J. Robinson, 20th Jan.—Hongay 17th Jan., Coal—B. & S. |
| Shihoro Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,478, H. S. Kana, 2nd Jan.—Moji 17th Jan., Coal—O. S. K. |
| Siberia, Am. s.s., 6,555, A. Zoeder, 19th Jan.—San Francisco 19th Dec., and Manila 17th Jan., Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. Co. |
| Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,340, Fraser, 14th Jan.—Saigon 18th Jan., Gen.—Wo Fat Sing & Co. |
| Triumph, Co. s.s., 769, W. Langschwager, 9th Jan.—Haiphong and Hoihow 6th Jan., Rice and Gen.—I. & Co. |
| Tjilatjap, Dutch s.s., 2,770, E. H. Kray, 21st Jan.—Java 16th Jan., Gen.—J. C. J. L. |
| Yuenang, Br. s.s., 1,164, P. H. Rolfe, 22nd Jan.—Manila 19th Jan., Gen.—I. M. & Co. |

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

2nd Jan.—Derflinger, Lee tea. 6th Jan.—Bellerophon, Douglas, Rheuss, Ernest Simons, Vorwaerts. 9th Jan.—Aki Mam, Glenloch, Katana. Lennox, Slavonia, Yeddo, Kina, Preussens. 12th Jan.—Armand Deho, Indramayo, Jason, Palawan, Ping Suey, Arodis, Wray Castle. 16th Jan.—Benvenise, Austria, Miyasaki Maru, Pora, Pila. 19th Jan.—Eitel Friedrich, Sitthonia. 19th Jan